

# Salmon Recovery Funding Board Meeting Agenda

**October 15-16, 2015**

Maple Hall, 104 Commercial, La Conner, WA 98257

**Time:** Opening sessions will begin as shown; all other times are approximate.

**Order of Presentation:** In general, each agenda item will include a presentation, followed by board discussion and then public comment. The board makes decisions following the public comment portion of the agenda item.

**Public Comment:** If you wish to comment at a meeting, please fill out a comment card and provide it to staff. Please be sure to note on the card if you are speaking about a particular agenda topic. The chair will call you to the front at the appropriate time. Public comment will be limited to 3 minutes per person.

You also may submit written comments to the board by mailing them to the RCO, Attn: Wendy Loosle, Board Liaison, at the address above or at [wendy.loosle@rco.wa.gov](mailto:wendy.loosle@rco.wa.gov).

**Special Accommodations:** If you need special accommodations to participate in this meeting, please notify us at (360) 902-3086 or TDD (360) 902-1996.

## Thursday, October 15

### OPENING AND WELCOME

#### 9:30 a.m. Call to Order

- Determine Quorum
- Welcome
- Review and Approve Agenda (*Decision*)
- Approve May 6, 2015 Meeting Minutes (*Decision*)

Chair

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### MANAGEMENT AND PARTNER REPORTS

#### 9:40 a.m. 1. Director's Report

- Director's Report
  - Final legislative budgets for 2017-2015 and Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Grant for 2015 and implications on future funding decisions
  - 2015-17 Agency Workplan
- Legislative, Budget, and Policy Updates
- Performance Update (*written only*)
- Fiscal Report (*written only*)

Kaleen Cottingham

Wendy Brown

#### 10:00 a.m. 2. Salmon Recovery Management Report

- Governor's Salmon Recovery Office Report
- Salmon Section Report

Brian Abbott

Tara Galuska

#### 10:20 a.m. 3. Reports from Partners

- Council of Regions Report
- Washington Salmon Coalition Report
- Regional Fisheries Enhancement Groups
- Board Roundtable: Other Agency Updates

Jeff Breckel

Amy Hatch-Winecka

Colleen Thompson

SRFB Agency Representatives

**10:40 a.m. General Public Comment:** *Please limit comments to 3 minutes.*

**10:45 a.m. BREAK**

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## BOARD BUSINESS: DECISIONS

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**11:00 a.m. 4. Monitoring Program Update and Decisions**

- Project Effectiveness Contract
- Status and Trends / Fish In-Fish Out Contract
- Intensively Monitored Watershed (IMW) Contracts
- Monitoring Panel Contracts
- Overview of Monitoring Proposals and IMW Treatments

*GSRO Staff  
Marnie Tyler, Monitoring Panel Chair*

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**12:30 p.m. LUNCH** (*Lunch will be provided to board members and staff*)

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## BOARD BUSINESS: BRIEFINGS & DISCUSSIONS

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**1:00 p.m. 5. Board Strategic Plan Update and New Biennial Workplan**

*Brian Abbott*

**1:30 p.m. 6. Administrative and Policy Impacts from New Federal Omni-Circular Rules**

*Leslie Connelly*

**2:15 p.m. 7. Washington Administrative Code Update**

*Leslie Connelly*

## BOARD BUSINESS: DECISION

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**2:45 p.m. 8. Early Action Puget Sound Acquisition and Restoration Project Approval**

*Tara Galuska*

**2:50 p.m. 9. Conversion Request: Holmes Property Boundary Adjustment**  
(RCO Project #04-1680)

*Kay Caromile*

## BOARD BUSINESS: BRIEFINGS & DISCUSSIONS

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**3:15 p.m. 10. Follow-Up on Expanding the Grant Program to Include Large Capital Projects for the 2017-19 Biennium**

*Brian Abbott*

**3:35 p.m. 11. Overview of New Grant Programs Assigned to the Recreation and Conservation Office**

*Tara Galuska*

**4:05 p.m. 12. Overview of the Estuary and Salmon Restoration Program and the Puget Sound Nearshore Estuary Restoration Program**

*Jay Krienitz  
Theresa Mitchell*

**4:45 p.m. 13. Introduction to Skagit Restoration Projects and Tour Overview**

- Wiley Slough Restoration, RCO #[05-1615](#)
- Wiley Slough Restoration Design, RCO #[02-1492](#)
- Skagit WRA Interpretive Center, RCO #[75-620](#)
- Skagit WRA Acquisition, RCO #[73-636](#)

*Elizabeth Butler and Marc Duboiski, RCO  
Steve Hinton, Skagit River Systems Cooperative  
Richard Brocksmith  
Belinda Schuster, WDFW  
Jenny Baker, The Nature Conservancy*

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**5:30 p.m. BREAK** (Travel to Restaurant)

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**6:00 p.m. Joint Meeting with Puget Sound Leadership Council**

- La Conner Seafood & Prime Rib House, 614 South First St., La Conner, WA 98257
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## Friday, October 16

### TOUR OF PROJECTS – Joint tour with the Puget Sound Partnership's Leadership Council

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**7:45 a.m. Meet in Hotel Lobby of the in Advance of the Tour**

- Since the tour is a one-way route, each board member will need their own transportation
  - Directions and tour agenda available for members of public and other interested parties
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**8:00 a.m. Depart for Fir Island Farm Snow Goose Reserve** (Map Point A to Map Point B)**8:30 a.m. Fir Island Farm: Project Overview & Construction Update** (Map Point B)

*Jenna Friebe and  
Belinda Schuster, WDFW*

- Fir Island Farm Restoration Construction, RCO #[14-1022](#)
  - Fir Island Farm Restoration Final Design, RCO #[12-1205](#)
  - Fir Island Farm Restoration Feasibility Study, RCO #[09-1444](#)
  - Skagit Delta Wetlands, RCO #[92-629](#)
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**9:20 a.m. Depart for Stillaguamish Tribe's Natural Resources Building** (Map Point B to Map Point C)

- Restrooms available
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**9:50 a.m. Overview of Stillaguamish Estuary and Port Susan Bay** (Map Point C)

*Kit Crump, Stillaguamish  
Lead Entity Coordinator  
Jenny Baker and Kat Morgan,  
The Nature Conservancy*

- Members of the public will need to submit liability release forms for The Nature Conservancy's Port Susan Bay
  - Coffee and refreshments provided
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**10:20 a.m. Carpool to The Nature Conservancy's Port Susan Bay Preserve** (Map Point C to Map Point D)**10:40 a.m. Port Susan Bay Overview** (Map Point D)

*Jenny Baker and Kat Morgan,  
The Nature Conservancy*

- Port Susan Bay Estuary Restoration, RCO #[09-1410](#)
  - Port Susan Estuary Acquisition & Feasibility, RCO #[01-1338](#)
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**11:30 a.m. Depart to pick up cars at Stillaguamish Natural Resources Building** (Map Point D to Map Point C)**11:45 a.m. Depart for Tulalip Tribe's Hibulb Cultural Center** (Map Point C to Map Point E)**12:10 p.m. Working Lunch** (Map Point E)

- Box lunches provided to board members and staff
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**12:30 p.m. Overview of Snohomish Estuary  
Restoration Projects and Qwuloolt  
Marsh**

*Denise Di Santo, Snohomish Watershed Lead Entity Coordinator  
Kurt Nelson, Tulalip Tribes*

**1:00 p.m. Depart for Qwuloolt Site** (Map Point E to Map Point F)**1:15 p.m. Qwuloolt Marsh Restoration** (Map Point F)

*Kurt Nelson, Tulalip Tribes*

- Qwuloolt Estuary Restoration, Construction Phase, RCO #[09-1277](#)
  - Qwuloolt Estuary Restoration, RCO #[10-1469](#)
  - Qwuloolt Restoration Design III, RCO #[07-1624](#)
  - Qwuloolt Restoration & Trail, RCO #[06-1604](#)
  - Qwuloolt Restoration Design II, RCO #[04-1587](#)
  - Qwuloolt Acquisition, RCO #[01-1290](#)
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**2:15 p.m. END TOUR** (Early adjournment to avoid Friday rush hour traffic)

**Next regular meeting:** December 9-10, 2015, Natural Resources Building, Room 172, Olympia, WA